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SUBJECT: PRG ISSUE AT SECOND SESSION LOW CONFERENCE

REF: (A) SAIGON 894, (B) STOCKHOLM 346, (C) STATE 008673

1. NORDIC COUNTRIES WILL BE CONSULTING IN STOCKHOLM ON JAN 29-30 BUT MEETING WILL BE AT LEVEL OF DIVISION CHIEFS (UN AFFAIRS) WITHIN NORDIC FONMINISTRIES AND NOT AT POLICY-MAKING LEVEL. WITH REGARD TO SWEDISH POSITION ON PRG STATUS AT LAW OF WAR CONGRESS, THIS QUESTION IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW AT TOP LEVELS OF GOS. INASMUCH AS LEFTIST MP (AND VIETNAM ACTIVIST) BIRGITTA DAHL HAS RAISED QUESTION IN PARLIAMENT RE GOVERNMENT POSITION, GOVERNMENT IS EXPECTED TO DECIDE ITS STAND BY JAN 31.

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2. I WILL BE MEETING NEXT WEEK WITH MFA SECRETARY SVERKER
ASTROM, AND WILL RAISE WITH HIM QUESTIONS OF GOS POSITION ON PRG
AT LOW CONFERENCE, DRAWING ON POINTS SET FORTH IN REF C. ASTROM
IS SENIOR CAREER OFFICIAL WITHIN MFA AND HAS CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE
WITH BOTH FONMINISTER AND PRIME MINISTER. WHILE I WILL
PRESENT OUR VIEWS TO HIM IN STRONGEST POSSIBLE TERMS, I
AM NOT SANGUINE THAT GOS WILL, IN FACT, CONTINUE TO
ABSTAIN ON QUESTION OF PRG PARTICIPATION IN LOW CONFERENCE.
AS MFA LEGAL ADVISOR INFORMED US (REF B), GOS IS
"SENSITIVE" TO LEFTWING PRESSURES TO SUPPORT PRG
PARTICIPATION IN LOW CONFERENCE AND, OUR ARGUMENTS NOTWITHSTANDING,
COULD EVENTUALLY BOW TO THESE PRESSURES.
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